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MINUTES

Meeting of the Council of Academic Deans
December 13, 1995

Members present: Jack O. Hall, Jr., John H. Petersen, Elmer Gray, Michael B. Binder, Franklin D. Conley, David D. Lee, Jacqueline Addington, Carl R. Martray, Robert V. Haynes and Mr. Michael C. Dale.

An extensive discussion on "Common Themes" for university priorities among several documents was held. The CHE document for setting of institutional priorities was also reviewed, priorities checked and recommendations for revisions made. Recommendations for the "Common Themes" are as follows:

- **High Quality Programs** (W21, NL, STSTPL, PF, BOR, SACS)
- Evaluation, Accountability, Effectiveness (W21, NL, STSTPL, SACS, PF, BOR)
- Global, International Focus in Instruction and Research (W21, NL, STSTPL, PF, BOR)
- Space Utilization and Maintenance (W21, BOR, PF, NL)
- Recruit & Retain High Quality Faculty (W2, NL, BOR, STSTPL, PF)
- Recruit & Retain High Quality Staff (W21, NL, BOR, STSTPL, PF)
- Institutional Advancement (W21, NL, SACS)

-**Educated Citizenry**

- Technology (W21, NL, STSTPL, PF, BOR, SACS?)
- Access (W21, NL, STSTPL, PF, BOR???, SACS???)
- Student Centered Focus (NL, SB109, BOR, W21???, SACS???)
- Cultural Center & Agent (W21, NL, STSTPL, PF)

-**Equal Opportunity**

- Diversity (W21, NL, SB109, BOR, STSTPL, PF, EEO)

-**Research and Development**

- Responsiveness: Internal and External (W21, NL, STSTPL, PF, BOR, SB 109)

The Council of Academic Deans reviewed the contract status for faculty with special assignment (12 mos. And 9 mos.). A nine month contract with a budgeted stipend for administrative work during the summer was recommended as a way to compensate faculty who work during the summer. Eligibility for sabbatical is a question that needs to be resolved. Anyone at the department head or above should have the stipend budgeted in the appropriate unit. This would provide a guarantee that no one would lose compensation. If the person is primarily an administrator he/she would remain 12 months with eligibility for an administrative sabbatical. Only 9 months faculty are eligible for a regular sabbatical. Some discussion occurred regarding considering the percentage of time one is assigned faculty responsibilities as a way to determine eligibility.

Mike Binder asked for and received an \$11,000 commitment for additional "First Search" dollars. The library will be open longer than anticipated during the holidays.

Respectfully submitted,



Jacqueline Addington